

The Office of the Governor **Proclamation**

Executive Department State of Idaho State Capitol Boise

WHEREAS, geology and the other earth sciences are fundamental to the safety, health and welfare of Idahoans and to the economy of Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are integral to finding, developing and conserving mineral, energy and water resources needed for Idaho's continuing prosperity; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences provide the basis for preparing for and mitigating natural hazards such as earthquakes, floods, landslides, volcanic eruptions, subsidence and droughts experienced from time to time in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences are crucial to environmental and ecological issues ranging from water and air quality to waste disposal; and

WHEREAS, geological factors of resources, hazards and the environment are vital to land management and land use decisions made in Idaho; and

WHEREAS, the earth sciences contribute critical pieces to our understanding of, and respect for, Idaho's heritage and natural systems;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, DIRK KEMPTHORNE, Governor of the State of Idaho, do hereby proclaim October 13 through 19, 2002, to be

EARTH SCIENCE WEEK

in Idaho.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the Great Seal of the State of Idaho at the Capitol in Boise on this first day of October in the year of our Lord two-thousand and two and of the Independence of the United States of America the two hundred twenty-seventh and of the Statehood of Idaho the one hundred thirteenth.

DIRK KEMPTHORNE GOVERNOR

PETE T. CENARRUSA SECRETARY OF STATE